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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 7, 9, 10, 11, 16, 18, 19, 20, 25, 27, and 28 as follows:

*Sub B1*  
*A1*

1. A method of trimming a parametric surface, comprising:

[obtaining a trimming texture based on a trimming curve for the parametric surface; and]

*Sub B2*  
*A2*

applying [the] a trimming texture based on a trimming curve for the parametric surface to the parametric surface.

7. The method of claim 2, further comprising:

[obtaining a material texture; and]

drawing [the] a material texture on the parametric surface based on the trimming texture.

*Sub B2*  
*A3*

9. A method of trimming a parametric surface comprising:

[obtaining the parametric surface;

obtaining a trimming curve for the parametric surface;]

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